

Proposed Engineering Colleges in the State

686 SRI H. SHIVAPPA (Harihar).—Will the Minister for Education be pleased to state.—

(a) whether Government intends to accord permission to start few more engineering colleges in the State ;

(b) if so, the places where they are proposed to be started ?

SRI G. B. SHANKAR RAO (Minister for Education).—

(a) Government have not taken any decision in this regard.

(b) Does not arise in view of the reply to item (a) above.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಶಿವಪ್ಪ.—ನನ್ನ ಮೊದಲನೆಯ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗೆ ಉತ್ತರವಾಗಿ ಈ ವಿಷಯದ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಸರ್ಕಾರ ದವರು ಯಾವ ತೀರ್ಮಾನವನ್ನೂ ಕೈ ಕೊಂಡಿಲ್ಲ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಇದುವರೆಗೆ ಏತಕ್ಕೋಸ್ಕರ ತೀರ್ಮಾನ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡಿಲ್ಲ ? ಈ ವಿಳಂಬಕ್ಕೆ ಕಾರಣವೇನು ? ಕೂಡಲೇ ತೀರ್ಮಾನ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ಸರ್ಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ಸಾಮರ್ಥ್ಯವಿಲ್ಲವೇ ?

† SRI G. B. SHANKAR RAO.—Sir, the technical education is controlled by the All India Council for Technical Education. So, we will have to go by the recommendations and guidelines issued by the All India Council for Technical Education. Last year the Director of Technical Education and the Secretary, Education Department met the members of the Council at Hyderabad. At a meeting held, they discussed certain recommendations made by several States for opening of Engineering Colleges in our country. After considering the recommendations they have said there is hardly any need for starting new engineering colleges in the country or in a particular State. In our State we have got quite a number of engineering colleges, I will just bring to the notice of this Hon'ble House the recommendations of the Committee which met at Hyderabad.

MR. SPEAKER.—Please be brief while answering the questions.

SRI G. B. SHANKAR RAO.—It was recommended that in order to maintain the quality and standard of technical education fresh Engineering Colleges need not be started except in areas where there is necessity or requirements so demand. This was one of the recommendations of the All India Council of Technical Education. So, whenever new colleges are to be opened the concurrence of All India Council of Technical Education is necessary. Considering this aspect Government have not yet taken any decision in this regard.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಶಿವಪ್ಪ.—ಆ ಒಂದು ರೆಕಮೆಂಡೇಷನ್ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಂಗ್ ಕಾಲೇಜುಗಳನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯುವ ಅವಶ್ಯಕತೆ ಇಲ್ಲವೆಂದು ಖಚಿತವಾಗಿ ಗೊತ್ತಾದ ಮೇಲೂ ಸಹ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ರೀತಿಯ ಉತ್ತರ ಕೊಡಲು ಕಾರಣವೇನಿತ್ತು ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಜಿ. ಬಿ. ಶಂಕರ ರಾವ್.—ತಮ್ಮಂಥ ರಾಜಕೀಯ ಮಂಖಂಡರೂಗಳು ಬಂದು ಈ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಪ್ರಭಾವ ಬೀರುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಅದಕ್ಕಾಗಿಯೇ ಇನ್ನೂ ಅಂತಿಮ ತೀರ್ಮಾನ ಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಆಗಿಲ್ಲ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಶಿವಪ್ಪ.—ಹಾಗಿದ್ದರೆ ತಾವು ಪ್ರಭಾವಕ್ಕೆ ಒಳಗಾಗುತ್ತೀರಾ ? ಮತ್ತು ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಪ್ರಭಾವ ಬಂದರೆ ಕಾರ್ಲೇಜನ್ನು ಪ್ರಾರಂಭ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಒಪ್ಪುತ್ತೀರಾ ? Will the Government go against the recommendations of the Committee set up by the Government of India ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಜಿ. ಬಿ. ಶಂಕರ ರಾವ್.—ಮೊದಲು ನಿಮ್ಮ ಒಂದು ಪ್ರಭಾವ ಕಡಿಮೆ ಆಗಲಿ ; ಅನಂತರ ನೋಡೋಣ.

SRI C. M. ARUMUGHAM.—May I know the number of applicants seeking permission to start Engineering Colleges for this year ?

SRI G. B. SHANKAR RAO —We have received 9 applications seeking permission to start Engineering Colleges.

Production Centre to make Stone idols at Shivarapatna Malur Taluk.

687. SRI P. N. REDDY (Malur).— Will the Minister for Labour, Small Scale Industries, and Wakfs be pleased to state :—

(a) whether there is any proposal to start a production centre to make stone idols at Shivarapatna, Malur Taluk, on the pattern of the production centres working at Bidar for Bidri ware, Channapatna for Lacquer-ware and Sagar for Sandalwood ;

(b) whether Government is aware that there is concentration of Artisans specialised in stone sculptors in Shivarapatna village and the Artisans of Shivarapatna are known for their excellent craftsmanship and are known not only in India but in other parts of the world also;

(c) if so, what are the programmes taken by the Government to improve their skills and their economic conditions?

SRI C. M. IBRAHIM (Minister for Labour, Small Scale Industries and Wakfs).—

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) A co operative Society has been organised namely “Shilpakaala Sahakara Sangha Ltd” at Shivarapatna for their benefit. During the current year, a training programme has been proposed for 10 Artisans.

The setting up of a Rural Marketing and Service Centre has also been approved by the All India Handicrafts Board